



# Knights of Columbus

## Idaho State Council

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## Idaho Knights in Action

### Coeur d'Alene Council 1363

Council 1363 of St. Thomas recently hosted a Christmas Brunch for its Religious Education program families. Pictured are Grand Knight Ed Livingston, Father Mariusz Majewski, Santa Claus, and Mrs. Anita Dahmen, Religious Education Director, all above the Holy Family and Baby Jesus. Nearly 200 people attended. Blessings. Mike Anderson



## Orders Now Only Accepted Online

**B**eginning March 1, 2019, orders for printed materials can only be made online. Orders placed using *Requisition Forms* (#1) or the *Supply Catalog* (#1264), or placed via phone, mail or fax, will no longer be accepted.

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## Marian Hour of Prayer ----- Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians

### A Higher Purpose

Spread devotion to Our Lady and pray for our brothers and sisters of faith who are at risk around the world through the Marian Prayer Program. As the new Marian image is brought on pilgrimage through the jurisdiction, councils will host the Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians icon for a prayer service at their parish.

### Overview

The 2018-2019 Marian Prayer Program presents the 18th Marian image sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, this time of Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians. Each Knights of Columbus jurisdiction receives several Marian images, which serve as the centerpieces for prayer services conducted in churches and council meeting places throughout the Order for the duration of the initiative. Since its inception in 1979, the Knights of Columbus' Marian Prayer Program has held more than 166,900 local council and parish prayer services with some 20 million participants. This year, the prayer service is intended to raise awareness of the plight of Christians persecuted for their faith and to stand in prayerful solidarity with them.



Brothers. Please take a look at this link:

[http://www.kofc.org/en/programs/  
faith/marian-icon-prayer.html#/](http://www.kofc.org/en/programs/faith/marian-icon-prayer.html#/)

Chuck Davlin - Vice Supreme Master



This Year, Make Protecting Your Family the First Resolution You Keep.

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## THE BEDROCK OF OUR IDENTITY

### A CHALLENGE AND MESSAGE FROM SUPREME CHAPLAIN ARCHBISHOP LORI

*After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."*

— Gospel for Jan. 13, Lk. 3:21-22

Think about it. Do you really see yourself as a beloved son in whom your Heavenly Father is well pleased?

To be honest, most men, including this archbishop, go through seasons when we don't seem to sense that our father is well-pleased. Maybe we see ourselves as self-made men who don't owe our father anything. Maybe we did not experience love from our dad, and the very idea of being beloved is ludicrous. Maybe instead of Jesus' actual words, we hear, "This is my wayward son, in whom I am much disappointed."

Yet we know that we are baptized into Christ and share in his identity as the beloved son. Being beloved sons is the bedrock of our identity. The plain fact is that your heavenly Father is well-pleased with you.

### This Month's Challenge

This month I challenge you to hear the Heavenly Father saying these words — "you are my beloved son" — personally to you, and reflect on your identity in him. I recommend that you do so, if possible, in Adoration. Secondly, I challenge you to spend time with someone who loves you unconditionally. Ask them why? Their answer should give you a small glimpse of God's unconditional love for you.

## Christmas Caroling - Pocatello

These pics are from the Christmas Caroling on December 15th. We went to Brookdale in Chubbuck (pic 1), the Idaho State Veteran's Home (pic 2), and Quail Ridge. The Troop had 10 boys and 5 or six adults and a number of the Cub Scouts and their parents. We handed out around 150 treat bags that consisted of a mandarin orange, salt water taffy, peppermint nougat and a small candy cane in a cute gift bag provided by our Assistant Cubmaster. Allan Priddy and myself, John Crawford, donned our Santa suits to hand the treat bags to the residents of the various facilities. Allan Priddy, a Coast Guard veteran offered a special salute by our Scouts to the veterans at the Veterans Home. The luncheon that Pocatello Council 892 Grand Knight Pat Taney and Arnold Ortiz put together for us afterwards was fantastic as usual (pic 3). But we really missed the participation, leadership, spirit, and musical direction the Knights provided. We look forward to next year and hope you all will join us again.

Thank you. John Crawford - Scoutmaster, Troop 315



## Fr. Michael J. Keyes Assembly 1983 Mountain Home

### Happy New Year!

Sir Knights, 2019 is here and we must do our part to live up to the mission of the 4th Degree: Patriotism.

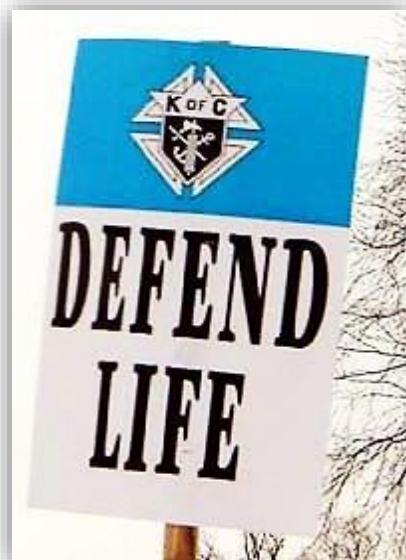
Our Assembly was presented with the Civic Award (Congrats to us all!) for 2018, but our job is never done. We can achieve this again in 2019 by hosting three more patriotic events before 1 June.

Can you think of innovative ways to spread patriotism within our community? Or perhaps you know of a tried & true method to reach the youth? Do you know someone who is intimate with our government or Constitution who would be willing to speak about it?

If so, please bring your ideas to a meeting.

### Always Protect the Unborn

On 22 January 1973, the US Supreme Court ruled that unduly restrictive state regulation of abortion is unconstitutional (condemning millions of unborn babies to their death) and ever since, Pro-Lifers always seem to have a little extra motivation come January – rightfully so! As Catholics we too must fight to protect the unborn, not just in January, but all year long. Therefore, I challenge every Knight to support legislation that will put an end to legalized abortion and protect those who cannot speak for themselves – the innocent babies in the womb.



## Twin Falls Council 1416

Our Grand Knight Karl Corbin asked me to submit these pictures and some information about the Star Council presentation that took place last Saturday, January 12th at the 5:00pm Mass at St. Edward the Confessor Parish in Twin Falls.

District Deputy Spencer Uhl presented the Star Council Award to Council 1416 Grand Knight Karl Corbin who was especially proud of the hard work his brother Knights accomplished in achieving this award.

In the group picture the following Knights are represented:

Front Row from left: Dave Garcia, Chris Perrigot, Spencer Uhl, Karl Corbin, Rusty Gideon, Bob Shelton, Dominic Evans. Back Row from Left: Mike Havener, Carl Skabronski, Ted Wasko, Peter Hillman, Dave Ellingsen, Father Joseph Lustig.

Fraternally yours. Peter Hillman



## St. Vincent DePaul Society Pocatello

On December 29th Knights from Fr. Ordway Council 8930 in Pocatello gathered to assist the St. Vincent De Paul Society reorganize their facility. There were ladies from Holy Spirit Catholic Community, people from the LDS Church along with some of the Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist also helping. The event was coordinated by the store manager, Beth Huston, wife of Brother Mike. The "Letter to the Editor" to the Idaho State Journal of January 24th below sums up the event very well.



Heavy lifting with Tim Marks



Tag team with Rick Laws (back to camera) and John Spinner.

## IDAHO STATE JOURNAL

empowering the community

### Thank you from St. Vincent DePaul

The society of St. Vincent DePaul's mission is to help the poor of our area. We do this through our food bank, rent and utility assistance, and clothing and furniture vouchers. To support this mission we run a small thrift store at 855 S. Second Ave. in Pocatello. Due to generous donations, the store had become cluttered and disorganized. On Dec. 29 we held a work day to sort, reorganize and tidy up the store and donation area. The response was overwhelming. We had a flood of volunteers who worked throughout the day. Our many thanks to Don Lesniewski, Rick Laws, Mike Nalley, Mike Houston, Al Nelson, Kerry Hennessy, John Spinner, Jacob Dill, Rosemary Nett, Sharon Price, Peter and Peggy Flores, Jo Behn, the families of the Dahlstroms, Hughes, Daniels and Albertsons. The store now looks great and everything is organized. Stop by to check us out and help us help others. Thanks again to our wonderful volunteers.

Keith J. Riemersma,  
President Board of Directors of  
St. Vincent DePaul Society,  
Pocatello



State Youth / Activities Director  
Keith Riemersma



Council 8930 Grand Knight Al Nelson (left) and Don Lesniewski getting down and dirty.



Past State Deputy Kerry Hennessy





## Assembly Actions

John Pettinger PSD  
District Master

Brothers and Sir Knights,

On Saturday, January 19, I had the honor as a Color Corps member of participating in the

Life Mass offered by Bishop Peter. It was very gratifying to see a FULL cathedral praying for an end to the scourge of abortion, euthanasia, and other life issues. The Mass was followed by the March for Life to the statehouse. Knights are called to stand for life, and it would be very gratifying to see overflow crowds at the Mass and many more marching to show our solidarity with this cause.

By the time you read this, the Idaho Catholic Men's Conference will have already occurred. I have attended each year, and still get excited to hear the nationally known speakers, enjoy the company of other Catholic gentlemen, have ready access to reconciliation and adoration, and especially to take advantage of the opportunity to grow spiritually, which should be a goal of each Knight.

The next two months will provide three opportunities to advance to the Fourth Degree within Idaho, with one more chance in our neighbor state of Washington. We make every effort to provide advancement opportunities to our members and only ask that you make yourself available to gain the lessons offered in the degrees. I have listed the current schedule for exemplifications throughout the state, with another recent change:

February 2	St. Mark's Boise, Treasure Valley team
February 9	NEW – Lewiston, North Idaho team
March 9	NEW – Walla Walla, WA East Washington team
March 30	Idaho Falls, East Idaho team
April 27	Spokane Washington, East Washington team
May 5 (Sunday)	Twin Falls, East Idaho team
June 1	Holy Apostles, Treasure Valley Team

Vivat Jesus.

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## Knights to Christ

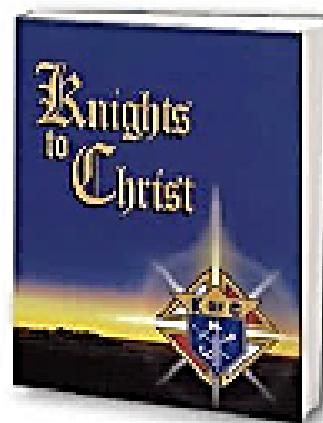
From: David Palumbo  
State Church Director

Knights to Christ is a book envisioned by Past State Deputy Jerry O'Connor over 10 years ago. Jerry's inspiration came from Fr. Mark Link's Vision 2000 series of daily reflection books.

Jerry thought if there was a book of reflections specifically designed for Knights based upon Scripture and the four principles of the Knights, it could become a powerful tool for deepening the spirituality of Knights.

In January 2001, that vision has become a reality in Knights to Christ!

To order your \$5.00 copies, call Dave Palumbo at (208) 362-1736, or email at [davidepalumbo2013@hotmail.com](mailto:davidepalumbo2013@hotmail.com).



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## CHALICE CEREMONY POCATELLO

The Honor Guard of the Bishop Gorman Assembly was called upon to bid a final farewell to Sir Knight Thomas J. McDevitt, MD on January 19th at St. Joseph's Chapel. The Chalice Ceremony was conducted by Faithful Navigator Dave Molitor and State Secretary Roy Bartholomay. Sir Knights Kerry Hennessy PSD; Council 8930 Grand Knight Al Nelson; Council 892 Financial Secretary Fred Davis; and Jerry Stroschein. The Mass of the Resurrection was conducted by Father & Sir Knight Enrique Terriquez (Boise) and assisted by Sir Knight & Deacon Scott Pearhill and Deacon Tom Dominick of St. John the Evangelist Cathedral in Boise (nephew of Sir Knight Tom).



*Widow of Sir Knight Tom (Teresa McDevitt) was presented his chalice by Dave Molitor. The chalice will be used at the Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Chapel in Fort Hall, Idaho. Sir Knight Tom was in integral part of the creation and upkeep of this Chapel.*



## FATHER ORDWAY COUNCIL 8930 - POCATELLO

Father Ordway Council 8930 of Pocatello sponsored a soccer challenge for the Holy Spirit Catholic School students on December 22, 2018. Sixty-seven students participated in the soccer challenge that was coordinated by Council 8930 Member and Holy Spirit PE Teacher, David Berry. Also during the soccer challenge, students

who won state awards for the free throw contest were awarded their trophies. The Knights involved were Kerry Hennessy PSD; State Youth/Activities Director Keith Riemersma; Dave Berry; State Secretary Roy Bartholomay; and Council 8930 Grand Knight Al Nelson.



*Dave Berry with the first place winner ... Chijioke Njoku (5th grade)*

### Membership Corner

Brothers.

If your Council has not planned a membership drive in the next few months now is the time to do so. Advertise in your Church bulletin and plan your event. Pulpit announcements focusing on what your Council has done locally, as well as what we as

Knights do within Idaho, nationally and internationally are good things to let the parishioners know. Whether hosting social hour after Mass or bringing possible Knights to an information night make sure you invite your Insurance Agent.

There are new membership incentives being offered by the State. Check out the details below. Make sure your Council doesn't miss out on earning these incentives this year.

God Bless.

Jeff Finken  
Idaho State  
Membership Director

# State Incentive Program 1/1/2019

## Council BBQ Incentive

The Council with the highest % of new Knights in the next Quarter (ends March 31<sup>st</sup> 2019) will receive a BBQ hosted by members of the State Council.

## District Deputy Incentive

Work with a Council to host a Parrish Church Drive with a minimum of 4 new members recruited before March 31, 2019. Knights of Columbus Jacket.



## State Per Capita Incentive

If a Council makes Star Council before the end of this fraternal year they will receive 20% off next year's per capita billing.

Recruit 1: Booklet "What is the New Evangelization"  
Recruit 3: Fr. McGivney Sterling Silver Medallion  
Recruit 6: Knights of Columbus Polo Shirt

## State Convention Hotel Incentive

The top Recruiter in the State will also have their Hotel paid for at the State Convention

## **St Pius X Council 11623 - Coeur d'Alene**

### Wheelchair Sunday

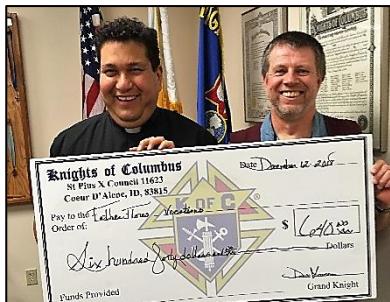
Brother Dan Moberg (pictured at right) of our Council and of American Wheelchair Mission recently ran a Wheelchair Sunday in our parish, which donated \$28,007! Here is his response: "This is an amazing outpouring of love and charity. Translated into wheelchairs, this means that our parish is responsible for providing mobility, freedom, dignity and hope to 187 of the poorest of God's children. We conservatively estimate that for each wheelchair we deliver, between family, friends, teachers, employers, and others, about 10 people are impacted. That means that our parishioners have touched the lives of nearly 2,000 people with their charitable and loving gifts. We thank everyone who made this event possible!"

Grand Knight, Dave Sonnen



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GK Dave Sonnen presents a \$640.00 check to Fr. Flores for vocations.



District Deputy Rob Palus presents Columbian Award to GK Dave Sonnen.



From left to right: Tom Tintinger, Eric Christiansen, Ron Moultrie, John Webb and Pete Obligato helped to decorate the church for Christmas. Craig Frei helped as well.

# **Idaho Winter Organizational Meeting**

From: George Mesina, State Public Relations Director

On January 4-6, Idaho state officers met in Boise to report on progress being made by the councils of our state, learn of new initiatives from Supreme, and plan our course of action for the near future. Two districts were realigned and a new District Deputy was installed. Some important dates and events were announced:

- Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (#1728) was due to Supreme on January 31.
- State Service PROGRAM awards are due to **Dan Moberg** [dlm.idkc@gmail.com](mailto:dlm.idkc@gmail.com) February 20, 2019.
- Regional training for council officers:
  - Covers responsibilities of officers. Open to Council officers and leaders.
  - Nampa Councils of Districts 4 – 8 Feb 23 9AM–3PM RSVP to Cory Newell, [district7idkofc@gmail.com](mailto:district7idkofc@gmail.com)
  - Pocatello Councils of Districts 1 – 4 Feb 24 10AM–4PM RSVP to Kerry Hennessy, [hennesk@hotmail.com](mailto:hennesk@hotmail.com)
- GEAR UP for the March membership drive. Schedule a First Degree for a week later.
  - New incentives were announced
  - The knight who brought in the 5000-th member was George Mesina
  - We are close to opening our first college council! It will be at Boise State University.
- Resolutions are due to **Dan Moberg** [dlm.idkc@gmail.com](mailto:dlm.idkc@gmail.com) on March 1.
- State Convention will be in Nampa ID on April 26-28.
- Please continue working on your Safe Environment Compliance.
- Consult your Faith In Action program for the new activities and programs Supreme is offering.

**REDISTRICTING:** District 1, the geographically largest in the entire Order, was reduced to just Salmon Council 8283. District 2 now contains St. Anthony 12953, Idaho Falls 1663, Blackfoot 3019 and Pocatello 892 & 8930.



Left to Right – State Secretary Roy Bartholomay; DD8 Jim Jensen; DD6 J A Arroyo; DD5 Allen Darrow; DD11 Rob Palus; Supreme Director Brian Simer; IPSD Mike Townsend; DD9 Max Nuxoll; DD7 Cory Newell; DD1 Paul Sever; DD2 Kerry Hennessy; DD4 Spencer Uhl; District Master John Pettinger; State Warden Jeff Finken; and Director E-membership John Krsul.



State Deputy Shane Gehring installing Kerry Hennessy, PSD to lead District 2.



## **IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **REDESIGNED AND UPDATED FAITH IN ACTION PROGRAM WEB PAGE**

Fraternal Mission is pleased to announce the release of the redesigned Faith In Action Programs web page. On this page, you will find up-to-date information about all Faith In Action programs, general announcements and form updates. Check it out at [kofc.org/faithinaction](http://kofc.org/faithinaction).

### **YOU CAN NOW SUBMIT YOUR SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY ONLINE**

A digital version of Form #1728 is now available at Officers Online. In addition, the form has been updated to reflect the new Faith In Action program model, allowing officers to better track their meetings, donations and volunteer hours. Access it today at Officers Online.

### **ALL IN ONE FORM REDUCES YOUR PAPERWORK**

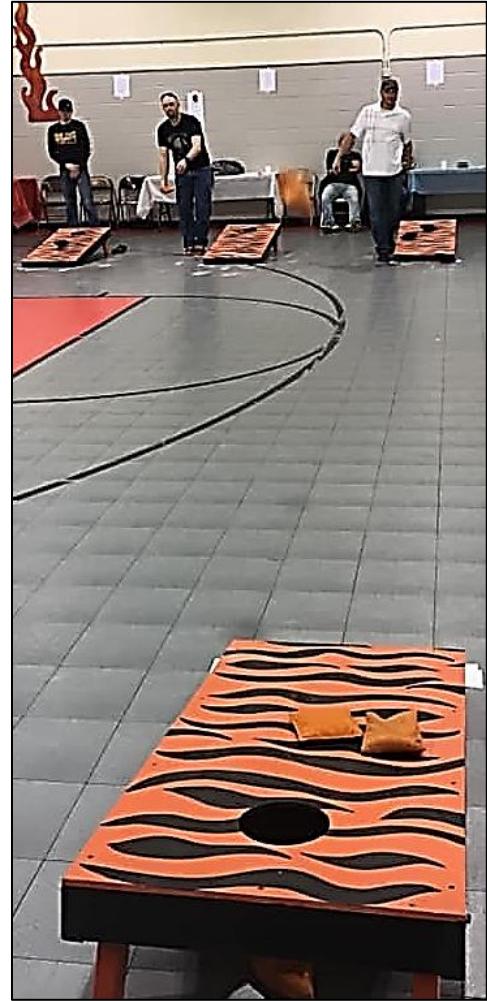
The new *Programs Report Form* (#10784) allows one stop reporting for many of the Faith In Action programs. This form will replace 24 individual report forms, reducing the number of forms council officers are expected to use.

## Corn-Hole Tournament - Pocatello

The first Father Ordway Council 8930 winter fundraiser of the year with 19 teams participating using 9 landing platforms. Cash payouts were awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in the Corn-Hole Tournament on January 26th in St. Anthony's gym. Approximately 50 people showed up and nearly \$1000.00 dollars generated. Congratulations to Grand Knight Al Nelson and Bob Fitzsimmons for putting together this great event.



*Grand Knight Al Nelson (far right) getting the players fired up and ready to toss those bean bags. Food and drink were on hand so all bets were on!*



## THE LAST WORD

*Shane Gehring - Idaho State Deputy*

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome three new Chairmen's to the State of Idaho Council ...

Bill Kibble of St Marks will be our new Public Relations Chairman. He brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to this position. He is a member of the St Marks' Council.

J.A. Arroyo will be our new Life Chairman. He has experience as a Director with the Oklahoma State Council and is currently a District Deputy for District 6 of Idaho. He is a member of the Sacred Heart Council.

Donald Boudreau will be our new Family Director. Don has many years' experience as the Chairman of the Fr. McGivney Guild for Idaho. Don is a member of the Caldwell Council.

I would also like to take this opportunity to say a special thank you to Dave Molitor who is the Editor of the State Newsletter. He has done a tremendous job for all of us.

To all of our Directors and Chairmen. Thank you for all you do!!

